GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2603
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DENIAL OF CENTRAL FREEDOM FIGHTER PENSION
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding denial of Central Freedom Fighter Pension to freedom fighters;

(b) if so, the details alongwith the reasons therefor, State-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a) to (c): Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension is granted to such freedom fighters who fulfill the eligibility criteria and evidentiary requirements prescribed under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 and the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. In cases where the applicants do not fulfill the eligibility criteria or fail to meet the evidentiary requirements, the claims are rejected under intimation to the applicants through speaking orders.

The Government has been receiving representations, complaints, appeals and review petitions from time to time against the orders of rejection of claims for grant of Samman Pension. Such representations, complaints, appeals and review petitions are considered and disposed of as per the provisions of the Scheme and the instructions issued by the Government. State-wise data of such representation, complaints appeals and review petitions etc. is not maintained.